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Monthly Report -- Key West Bureau



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MEMORANDUM TO: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service

THROUGH: Chief, Operations Group

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I. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. May was visitors' month in Cuba as various delegations trooped through for events ranging from May Day celebrations to a Nonaligned Movement conclave on disarmament. In-between, Cuban radio and TV reported on the comings and goings of a variety of guests, including Sam Nujoma, president of the South-West African People's Organization, Soviet Interior Minister Vlasov, and the defense ministers of Angola and Tanzania, to name the more noteworthy.

2. In a pilot program to make local governments more responsive to Juan Q. Public, the PCC took a step away from centralization this month. As reported on Havana radio and TV, Cuba's second largest city--Santiago de Cuba--is the first to benefit from this change which calls for the municipality to be divided into four districts, each with an executive council to run its own economic and social activities.

3. On the health front, Havana radio reported this month that Cuba's vigorous AIDS testing program was continuing. To date, 2.25 million people have been tested. Of 226 positive results, 8 people have died.

4. In other events, we were able to add a Tuesday through Friday "middle shift" this month, now that our newest monitor/editor-- --has successfully finished her formal training. This addition has considerably relieved the pressure on the early and late shifts. As a result, we were able to put several sources back on coverage. One quick payoff was extensive reportage from Nassau Domestic Service on the recent Florida grand jury investigation into allegations linking Bahamian Prime Minister Pindling with international drug dealers.

B. Communications

For the fifth time in two years, a contractor this month cut the telephone cable serving the Keys and left us dead in the

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water with no communications for over six hours. Since everything is in the same underground cable buried in a narrow easement up the Keys to Miami, every time this happens we lose our phones, DTS, and backstop Autodin and telex capability. ✓

C. Technical

1. FED's [] visited this month along with two contractors, [] During their brief visit, they had lengthy technical discussions with in-house experts [] on the next generation of receivers FBIS will use. We also benefited from some of their ideas about future recording devices.

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2. Bureau Engineer [] squeezed in some of his precious little spare time to familiarize himself with the International Direct Dialing system provided earlier by HQs. With his own PC now set up in the shop area, Wolfgang hopes to soon be able to work with ESG people to incorporate the system into our communications network. A much appreciated spinoff of Wolf using the PC to write his reports is that the bureau chief can now read everything from start to finish without going blind as was the case when Wolf typed out his reports on his 1940's vintage Underwood that many people suspected still sported the original ribbon.

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D. Cruising

1. We concluded this month that we could not use Port-au-Prince as a site to monitor the various medium-wave transmitters in Santo Domingo that cannot be adequately monitored in Key West. Our next step is to go to Santo Domingo itself to explore ways to work out of the Embassy to improve our coverage of the Dominican Republic.

2. Radio Broadcast Monitor [] continued to watch closely Radio Moscow's medium-wave English-language program specially beamed to North America that is broadcast over a powerful transmitter from Cuba. Earlier in the month, we were tipped off that the Soviets might discontinue the broadcasts as a goodwill gesture to the U.S. In related matters, Johnny also completed his final observations on the summer schedule for Moscow's international service.

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3. Reinforcing our prejudice that he is one of the best detectives in his trade, Johnny also managed to track down the new shortwave frequency for Suriname's English-language newscast that had been so productive in reporting on developments in that country. As a result, we only had a gap of less than two weeks in the daily adventures of the Brunswijk rebel gang that continues to fight the government to a standstill.

II. ADMINISTRATION

A. Personnel

In addition to her many other chores, Deputy Chief []
[] this month personally contacted, screened, and
eventually evaluated the test results of several well-qualified
monitorial candidates. We hope to put at least one into
processing fairly soon.

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B. Buildings and Grounds

Another eyesore of regulation living disappeared this month
as we began covering the ugly bare concrete backporches in our
housing area with tiles. We hope to have all the porches
completed by the end of June.

III. VISITS

To the bureau:

1. Panama Deputy [] and wife Debbie, 16 May.

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2. FED Deputy [] and contractors []
[] 18-19 May.

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IV. COMMUNITY EVENTS

The bureau chief and wife attended a reception at the downtown
La Concha hotel for a group of visiting foreign Naval attaches on
12 May. The reception was sponsored by the U.S. Forces
Caribbean.

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Chief, Key West Bureau

Attachments: Nonexpendable Property Report
Production Report

cc: C/Panama Bureau, C/Paraguay Bureau

NONEXPENDABLE PROPERTY REPORT

PROPERTY RECEIVED: 1 Computer, Victor VCP IIe, Mdl. 26741
SN: 801010368, with keyboard and
Monochrome Monitor.

PROPERTY TRANSFERRED: None

PROPERTY DISPOSED: None

KEY WEST BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR MAY 1988

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH: 157,060

TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH : 35,880

TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH : 560

II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:	BROADCAST	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLICATIONS
(PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER WEEK	2,575	14,700	21
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III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:
(PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

BAHAMAS

Nassau Domestic Service in English	<u>5,320</u>		
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Nassau THE TRIBUNE in English			<u>-0-</u>
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BARBADOS

Bridgetown CANA in English		<u>34,950</u>	
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Bridgetown ADVOCATE in English			<u>-0-</u>
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Bridgetown SUNDAY ADVOCATE in English			<u>-0-</u>
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BELIZE

Belize City Domestic Service in English or Spanish	<u>1,110</u>		
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Belize Times in English			<u>-0-</u>
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CUBA

Havana Radio Progreso Network in Spanish	<u>2,940</u>		
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Havana Radio Reloj Network in Spanish	<u>6,870</u>		
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Havana Radio Rebelde Network in Spanish	<u>5,120</u>		
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Havana Domestic Service in Spanish	<u>1,880</u>		
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CUBA

Havana Tele-Rebelde Network in Spanish	<u>21,970</u>
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Havana Television Cubana Network in Spanish	<u>10,380</u>
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Havana Television Service in Spanish	<u>18,470</u>
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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Santo Domingo Cadena Brea Pena in Spanish	<u>-0-</u>
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Santo Domingo LISTIN DIARIO in Spanish	<u>-0-</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Nationale in Creole	<u>4,370</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Nationale in French	<u>3,990</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Antilles Internationales in French	<u>-0-</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Antilles Internationales in Creole	<u>520</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Haiti-Inter in Creole	<u>1,630</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Haiti-Inter in French	<u>-0-</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Lumiere Network in Creole	<u>-0-</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Lumiere Network in French	<u>-0-</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Metropole in Creole	<u>250</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Metropole in French	<u>5,150</u>
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Port-au-Prince Radio Soleil Network in Creole	<u>12,800</u>	
Port-au-Prince Radio Soleil Network in French	<u>-0-</u>	
Port-au-Prince Domestic Service in Creole	<u>-0-</u>	
Port-au-Prince Domestic Service in French	<u>-0-</u>	
JAMAICA		
Kingston Domestic Service in English	<u>480</u>	
Kingston DAILY GLEANER in English		<u>-0-</u>
Kingston SUNDAY GLEANER in English		<u>-0-</u>
MEXICO		
Mexico City NOTIMEX in Spanish		<u>6,130</u>
NETHERLANDS ANTILLES		
Bonaire Trans World Radio in English	<u>2,420</u>	
THE NETHERLANDS		
Hilversum International Service in English	<u>720</u>	
SURINAME		
Paramaribo International Service in English	<u>3,790</u>	
OTHER SOURCES:		
CUBA		
Havana Radio Periodico Del Aire in Spanish	<u>640</u>	
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC		
Santo Domingo Radio Mil Network in Spanish	<u>5,030</u>	
Santo Domingo Radio Popular in Spanish	<u>130</u>	